

REPORT ON OFFICER'S DUTIES IN REGARDS TO THE PRESIDENT'S MURDER

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On Friday, November 22, 1963, I was called to duty from a day off at approximately 2:00 PM to assist in the investigation of the murder of President John F. Kennedy and Officer J. D. Tippit. At approximately 3:00 PM this same day a Helen Louise Markham of 328 1/2 East 9th Street, telephone RI 8-2475 was brought to the City Hall by a uniform officer. I interviewed this woman and found that she was an eye witness to the shooting of Officer Tippit by Lee Harvey Oswald. Helen Markham gave an affidavit relating the facts of the shooting as they happened. We put Lee Harvey Oswald in a four man line up at the City Hall, November 22, 1963, at 4:30 PM and let Helen Markham view this line up. She was positive on the identification of Oswald, and he was the #2 man in the four man line up. The line up was held by Chief Curry, Capt. Fritz, J. R. Leavelle, C. W. Brown, and me. After the line up, Leavelle and I took Helen Markham to her East 9th address and let her out. From this location, we drove to 501 East Jefferson, where we interviewed Ted Calloway, Sam Guinyard, and Demingo Benavides regarding the murder of Officer Tippit. At a later time two of the three men came to City Hall and gave affidavits and viewed Oswald in a line up. Leavelle conducted the line up and took affidavits.

On Saturday, November 23, 1963, I took an affidavit from Mrs. Mary E. Fledsoe of 621 North Marsalis, telephone WH 2-1985. She knew Oswald and saw him get on and off of a bus on Elm Street shortly after President Kennedy was shot. (See affidavit).